

PRESS RELEASE

Visit us on Facebook or Twitter.



For Immediate Release:
Thursday, June 20, 2013

Contact:
Natalie Dale 404.631.1814
Or
Jill Goldberg 404.631.1828

Metropolitan Atlanta...

GA DOT Weekend Construction Schedule: Major Work Planned For Connector & At Two I-285 Northside Interchanges; Delays Likely

ATLANTA – Motorists should avoid travel on The Downtown Connector if at all possible this weekend as major maintenance activities by the Georgia Department of Transportation may necessitate triple lane closures in each direction until early Monday morning. Significant congestion and delays are likely. Similarly, the Department is advising drivers that the Interstate Highway 75 southbound exit ramp to Interstate Highway 285 eastbound in Cobb County also will be closed Friday night through Sunday morning; the eastbound I-285 exit ramp(s) to Georgia State Route 400, both northbound and southbound, will be closed throughout the weekend; and two I-285 northbound lanes on the west side, north of the Interstate Highway 20 Interchange, will be closed the entire weekend as well.

“Having postponed much work for Father’s Day last weekend and with a reasonably favorable weather forecast for this weekend, it is important we begin to catch up,” Georgia DOT Metro Area Construction Engineer Shun Pringle observes. “We realize this is a significant amount of work that has the potential to inconvenience drivers who aren’t prepared, so we strongly encourage the public to avoid these areas if possible and to consult Georgia 511 – either via the free phone call to 511 or at its website, www.511.ga.org, for real-time traffic updates and detour information.”

On the Connector, Department contractors will be replacing overhead signs and median wall and also making repairs to bridge joints – both north and southbound – in the two-mile section between Fulton Street and Piedmont Avenue. As many as three outside (right) lanes in both directions may be closed simultaneously from 9 p.m., Friday until 5 a.m., Monday.

At the Kennedy Interchange in Cobb, crews will be making guardrail repairs on the I-75 southbound exit ramp to eastbound I-285. The ramp will be closed from 9 p.m., Friday, until 5 a.m., Sunday. Traffic will be detoured via Cumberland Boulevard.

At the I-285/GA 400 interchange, the eastbound I-285 exit ramp, which splits to access GA 400 both north and southbound, will be closed from 9 p.m., Friday, until 5 a.m., Monday, so that crews can complete striping and concrete and guardrail work in connection with the Georgia DOT project to provide separate, dedicated exit ramps to GA 400 in each direction.

Also, concrete repairs on I-285 northbound – between the I-20 interchange and Bolton Road in west Fulton County, will require the closing of two outside (right) lanes from 9 p.m., Friday, until 5 a.m., Monday.

The following is a complete list of all Department activities planned in the Metro area this weekend; all work, or course, is weather dependent:

1. Cobb, 4/26/13 to 6/28/13, 9am till 3pm daily
SR 120 ALT EB, from MP 11.41 (Manget Street) to MP 12.11 (Aviation Rd), one left lane closed for sidewalk and bike path construction.
2. Cobb, 6/21/13 to 6/23/13; 9pm to 5AM continuous
I-75 SB to I285 EB, about MP 259, RAMP closed detour to Cumberland BLVD for guardrail repair.
3. Fulton, 5/4/12 to 12/31/13, 9am till 3pm, daily
Sidney Marcus Blvd EB/WB, from MP 1 (GA 400) to MP 2 (Buford Hwy), left lane affected with flagging operations for construction activities.
4. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/23/13, 9:30pm till 5 am, continuous
SR 154 EB, from MP 34.16 (Capital Ave) to MP 34.02(Trinity St), one right lane closed for parking deck construction.
5. Fulton, 10/5/12 to 12/31/13, 4:30am till 3pm, continuous
GA 400 NB, from MP 0.5 (I-85) to MP 1 (Sidney Marcus Blvd), one right lane closed to construct bridge bents for new bridge.
6. Fulton, 5/4/12 to 12/31/13, 9am till 3pm, daily
SR 13 NB/SB, from MP 2 (I-85) to MP 3 (Lenox Road), one outside lane closed with flagging operations to support construction activities.
7. Fulton, 1/7/13 to 6/30/13, 9am till 5pm, daily
Deering Road EB, about MP 0 (Peachtree Street), **DEERING ROAD CLOSED** for construction on the Amtrak Station.
8. Fulton, 1/22/13 to 7/22/13, 7pm till 5am, continuous
I-85 NB/SB, from MP 0 to MP 0.25 (Lindbergh Drive), HOV Ramp closed on to construct bridge bent #11.
9. Fulton, 1/12/13 to 12/31/13, 7pm till 5:30pm, weekly
Sidney Marcus Blvd EB/WB, from MP .5 to MP 1 (Sidney Marcus Blvd), road closed on Saturdays only for construction activities.
10. Fulton, 1/12/13 to 12/28/13, 7am till 5:30 pm, weekly
Cheshire Bridge Road EB/WB, from MP 0 to MP 0.25 (Sheridan Road), Road Closed on Saturdays only for construction activities.
11. Fulton, 1/12/13 to 12/28/13, 7am till 3:30pm, weekly
SR 13 NB, from MP 0 to MP 0.25 (Lenox Road), road closed on Saturdays only for construction activities.
12. Fulton, 2/14/13 to 7/22/13, 9am till 3:30pm
SR 236 WB, from MP 1 (Armand Drive) to MP 1.5 (Adina Drive), one lane flagging operation for equipment entering and exiting the roadway.

13. Fulton, 3/16/13 to 12/31/13, 10am till 10pm, continuous
SR 13 NB, from MP 87 (Lindbergh Drive) to MP 88 (Cheshire Bridge Road), one right lane closed for bridge construction.
14. Fulton, 4/23/13 to 6/30/13, 9:30am till 3pm
GA 400 SB, from MP 1 (Sidney Marcus Blvd) to MP 0 (Lindbergh Drive), one left lane closed for overhead signage work.
15. Fulton, 4/25/13 to 5/11/13, 9:30am till 3pm, daily
SR 400 NB, from MP 0 (Lindbergh Drive) to MP 1 (Sidney Marcus Blvd), either right or left lane closed for construction activities.
16. Fulton, 4/25/13 to 5/11/13, 8pm till 5am, nightly
SR 13 NB, from MP 2 (Lindbergh Drive) to MP 3 (Cheshire Bridge Rd), on right ramp lane closed for construction activities.
17. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/23/13, 9PM to 5AM continuous,
I75 SB to I20 WB under Washington Street, from MP 1 (Decatur Street) to MP 1.5 (MLK JR DR), right shoulder closed for bridge painting operations.
18. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/22/13, 9pm till 5am daily
SR 3 NB/SB, from MP 11.65 (Marietta Blvd) to MP 9.75 (I-75), either outside lane closed for resurfacing operations.
19. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/23/13, 9PM to 5AM, Continuous
SR 13 NB, about MP 0 (Peachtree Rd/Piedmont Rd), one right lane closed for edge beam replacement on bridge (SCL RR & Peachtree Creek).
20. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/24/13, 9pm till 5am, continuous
I-75/85 Connector NB/SB, North of I-20 from MP 245.5 (Fulton St) to MP 247.5 (Piedmont Ave), three right lanes may be closed for signage upgrades, bridge joint replacement, median replacement.
21. Cobb, 6/21/13 to 6/24/13, 9pm to 5am, continuous
I-285 NB; from I-20 (MP 10) to Bolton RD (MP 13), two right lanes closed for concrete slab jacking and sealing.
22. Cobb, 6/21/13 to 6/23/13, 9PM to 5AM nightly
I-285SB; Ramp to South Atlanta Road; one right lane closed for investigation for future project.
23. DeKalb, 6/21/13 to 6/24/13, 9PM to 7am , nightly
I-20 EB, from Wesley Chapel RD to Panola RD, one right lane closed for paving.
24. DeKalb, Fulton, Cobb, 6/21/13 to 6/24/13, 9PM to 5AM continuous
I-285 EB/ WB: Ashford Dunwoody RD (MP 29) to Paces Ferry RD (MP 18), one right or one left moving operations for striping and rumble strip installations.
25. Fulton, 6/21/13 to 6/24/13, continuous
I-285 EB, Ramp to GA 400 SB/ NB (MP 27) closed for striping, concrete sealing, guardrail repairs.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org. For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit www.dot.ga.gov or subscribe to our Press Release [RSS feed](#). You also may follow us on [Facebook](#) (www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and [Twitter](#) (<http://twitter.com/qadeptoftrans>).

###